

# State of Wisconsin\Government Accountability Board

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Voter Name  
Address  
City state zip

Dear {insert voter name }

This correspondence explains a new way to access your absentee ballot for the 2012 November Presidential Election.

The Wisconsin Government Accountability Board (G.A.B.) is the state agency charged with overseeing elections in Wisconsin and assisting your municipal clerk in administering elections. It is a goal of all municipal clerks in Wisconsin and the G.A.B. to provide better election services to our Wisconsin overseas voters. In an effort to achieve our goal of better assisting overseas voters, the G.A.B. applied for and was awarded a grant through the Department of Defense to create a system for overseas voters to request and receive their absentee ballots online.

The online system created through this grant is ready for you to use for the November Presidential Election. The G.A.B., in cooperation with your municipal clerk, will be launching the new website where you may request and receive your absentee ballot online. The new site, My Vote WI: <http://myvote.wi.gov> is now live. This site will provide a secure way to expedite the receipt and completion of your ballot so that it will be counted.

You already have a request to receive an absentee ballot for the 2012 November Presidential Election on file with your municipal clerk. If you would like to receive your absentee ballot online, please follow the steps below. You will still need to print your ballot and mail it back to your municipal clerk.

- Go to <http://myvote.wi.gov>
- Select the category of "Permanent Overseas Voter"
- Search for your name and date of birth
- Select your name
- Click "Get Absentee Ballot" from the menu
- You will need to cancel your current absentee application and/or absentee ballot using the instructions provided.
- Complete the new absentee application
- You will then be able to access your ballot online whenever you are ready to vote, print, and mail your absentee ballot.

We appreciate your interest in choosing our federal elected officials and participating in this election. The G.A.B. and your municipal clerk are available to assist you as you exercise your right to vote in 2012.

Please contact the Government Accountability Board at [GABHelpDesk@wi.gov](mailto:GABHelpDesk@wi.gov) or 866-VOTE-WIS if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

**WISCONSIN GOVERNMENT  
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